

Grant Applications for Delaware Arts & Community-Based Organizations and Schools Now Open for FY 2018



The Delaware Division of the Arts has opened its annual online application process to apply for grants to support arts programming and projects taking place during fiscal year 2018 (September 2017 – August 2018). Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

The guidelines and applications for all grant programs have been revised and streamlined, and a new grant category, *Arts Access*, was added to the list of offerings beginning this year. Past and new applicants should read the guidelines carefully and call Division staff with any questions.

"We always advise prospective applicants to contact the Division staff before submitting an application, especially for the first time," said Paul Weagraff, Director of the Division of the Arts. "Staff members can help an applicant determine which grant program is the best fit for their planned project, and can also answer questions about the application and review process."

A list of the Division staff members who manage the grants process, including their responsibilities and contact information, is available at the end of this release.

Below are all of the Division's grants programs and their

respective deadlines. Please visit www.artsdel.org/grants to access the full guidelines for each program and a description of the grant review process. Some organizational grants are available throughout the year on a rolling deadline basis, please see the list below for more details.

Grants for Delaware Arts Organizations

General Operating Support (GOS) – support of annual operating expenses to ensure that year-round participation in the arts is available to the people of Delaware. This grant category utilizes a three-year application cycle. Full applications (Full Application Guidelines) are due every three years, with Interim Applications (Interim Application Guidelines) due in the “off” year. **Annual March 1 deadline.**

Arts Stabilization Fund (ASF) – support for improvements to facilities owned (or under long-term lease) and operated by the organization. ASF grants are funded through the Division’s participation in the Arts Consortium of Delaware, Inc. (ArtCo) endowment. **Annual March 1 deadline.**

Education Resource (EDR) – grants to strengthen school-based arts education projects, programs, and activities that utilize the arts education resources of the Delaware arts community or strengthen arts organizations’ capacity to serve as professional development resources for teaching artists and educators. **Annual March 1 deadline.**

StartUp – financial support, training and consultation to develop and strengthen the management capacity of emerging arts organizations so that they can operate in a sustainable manner. Completion of the StartUp program is a prerequisite for emerging organizations seeking General Operating Support. **Annual March 1 deadline.**

Arts Access – provide up to \$1,000 to support the

presentation of performing, visual, literary, media, or folk arts in communities throughout the state. **Rolling deadline.**

Grants for Delaware Community-Based Organizations:

Project Support – support of arts programs provided by CBOs that assist in the growth of a vibrant cultural environment by encouraging the continued development of arts activities in communities throughout the state. College and university projects must be non-credit and serve the general community. **Annual March 1 deadline.**

Arts Access – provide up to \$1,000 to support the presentation of performing, visual, literary, media, or folk arts in communities throughout the state. **Rolling deadline.**

Grants for Delaware Schools and School Districts

Artist Residency – grants for residencies with visual, literary, performing or media artists working with students in the classroom or in professional development workshops with teachers. **Rolling deadline.**

Education Resource (EDR) – grants to strengthen school-based arts education projects, programs, and activities that utilize the arts education resources of the Delaware arts community or strengthen arts organizations' capacity to serve as professional development resources for teaching artists and educators. **Annual March 1 deadline.**

TranspARTation – grants that support transportation costs for schools to travel to Delaware arts and cultural institutions and venues in order for students to attend arts performances, events and exhibits. **Rolling deadline.**

Grants for Delaware Individual Artists

Artist Fellowship – support of individual artists in their work as visual, performing, media, folk, and/or literary artists. Applications received and processed by Mid Atlantic

Arts Foundation. **Annual August 1 deadline.**

Artist Opportunity – support of individual artists with unique professional and artistic development or presentation opportunities. **Rolling deadline.**

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